

## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

### **Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality**

**Agency:** Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Action:** Notice of meeting

**Summary:** The Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality will meet to discuss the relationship between agricultural production and air quality. The meeting is open to the public.

**Date:** The meeting will convene Wednesday, October 29, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 4:00 p.m. The meeting will resume Thursday, October 30, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Natural Resources Conservation Service on or before October 27, 1997.

**Addresses:** The meeting will be held at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle NW, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 842-1300. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to George Bluhm, University of California, Land, Air, Water Resources, 151 Hoagland Hall, Davis, CA 95616-6827.

**For Further Information Contact:** George Bluhm, Designated Federal Official, telephone (916) 752-1018, fax (916) 752-1552.

**Supplementary Information:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Additional information about the Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality, including any revised agendas for the October 29-30, 1997 meeting that may appear after this Federal Register Notice is published, may be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/BCS/air/farmbill.html>.

### **Draft Agenda of the October 29-30, 1997, Meeting:**

#### **A. Opening Remarks**

1. Welcome to Washington - P. Wakelyn
2. Comments and introductions from the Chair - P. Johnson

#### **B. Past Actions**

1. Report on the letter of advice on air research needs to the Secretary - J. Trotter
2. Senate Agriculture Committee hearing on agricultural air quality - P. Wakelyn, S. Shaver
3. House Agriculture Committee hearing on agricultural air quality - C. Parnell, Jr.
4. EPA regional haze rules - S. Shaver

#### **C. Status Reports on Efforts in Progress**

1. MOU between USDA and EPA - S. Shaver, G. Bluhm
2. Agricultural burning - B. Odum
3. Oversight issues - W. Hambleton
4. PM research issues - M. Cunha, R. Flocchini
5. Ozone issues - J. Miller

6. Health effects - T. Ferguson, V. Chavez
  7. Monitoring issues - C. Parnell Jr.
  8. Odorants - J. Sweeten
- D. New Issues and Parking Lot
1. Nitrous oxide - J. Smith
  2. Carbon sequestration CRP - T. Elliot
  3. As time allows, other issues brought up by the public or Task Force members
- E. Set date and location for next meeting

### **Procedural**

This meeting is open to the public. At the discretion of the Chair, members of the public may present oral presentations during the October 29-30 meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations should notify George Bluhm no later than October 27, 1997. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to George Bluhm no later than October 27, 1997.

### **Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities**

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